IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA

DAVID SPARKS

v.

FILED

CIVIL ACTION

JAN 30

JOHN KERESTES, et al.

MICHAEL E. KUNZ, Clerk

Dep. Clerk

NO. 13-3636

ORDER

AND NOW, this 30 day of JAN WARY, 2015, upon careful and independent consideration of the pleadings and record herein, and after review of the Report and Recommendation of United States Magistrate Judge Thomas J. Rueter, it is hereby

ORDERED

- 1. The Report and Recommendation is **APPROVED** and **ADOPTED**.
- 2. Petitioner's Motion to Stay and Abey Habeas Proceedings for Exhaustion of State Remedies (Doc. No. 10) is **GRANTED**, and the instant habeas petition is stayed and held in abeyance until the resolution of pending related state court proceedings.
- 3. Petitioner and respondents shall monitor the state court proceedings and immediately notify this court upon their conclusion.

BY THE COURT:

JOEL H. SLOMSKY,